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From the Principal

Canberra Camp –

The secondary students and attending staff had an excellent camp last week to the nation's capital! They visited all of the major icon sites and participated in their associated Education programs across 3 very full days of activities (See photos on pages 3 –5). A huge thank you to Mrs Inglis for her organization and oversight of this camp and to Ms Jones, Mr Finn and Mr Magnisalis for attending and assisting.

School Based Apprenticeships –

I was fortunate to attend the graduation ceremony of our two Agricultural School Based apprentices from 2023 on Friday. It was a great experience for both Cooper and Rourke and an added thrill when Cooper was awarded the Farm Management Award as the most outstanding student in the Apprenticeship program. Congratulations Cooper! This year we have Dillon Walker continuing his School Based Apprenticeship with Ronco Motors (Certificate III in Heavy Commercial Vehicle Technology), Katie Meehan has commenced a School Based Apprenticeship with Mallee COGS and Mya Jenzen has commenced a School Based Apprenticeship at Murrayville Childcare Centre. Both girls are completing Certificate III in Childcare. Our school based apprenticeship pathways are providing students with an excellent opportunity to kickstart their careers, whilst completing school.



School for Student Leadership –

Our team of students at Don Valley Campus of the School for Student Leadership have completed their term away. Congratulations to Izabella, Sharlene, Reece, Oliver and Jacob on this wonderful achievement. They presented their community learning project to Mrs Kelly and Ms Gloster on Friday in my absence. This is a fantastic experience and I look forward to hearing about all of their adventures when they return next term.

Staffing –

As I am sure parents are aware we are farewelling Ms Gloster, Ms Osborne and Miss Allan at the end of term. I am thrilled to announce that Jeanette Morehouse will be returning to Murrayville Community College from the beginning of next term to teach the 4,5,6 class. Given that we are also losing 3 primary students at the end of term we are going to slightly restructure our other classes.

- Prep and Year 1 will be together with Mrs Wyatt as their classroom teacher for literacy and numeracy lessons in addition to the specialist and other lessons that they have already been combined for.
- Mrs Peers will be taking the 2/3 class Monday – Thursday and Mr Brown will be taking them on Fridays.

We are currently advertising for an English/Humanities teacher and an additional Teacher aide to assist mainly in the Primary school.

Student Free Day –

Given that we have new staff and structures for the beginning of Term 2, we have decided to have a Student Free Day on **Monday the 15th of April** to complete inductions and preparations. I apologise for the late notice, but staff and council felt that this would be most conducive to a smooth start to Term 2.

Happy Easter –

Although it has been a short term, it has been an extremely busy and productive one for the school. I hope everyone has a wonderful Easter and an enjoyable and relaxing break.

Natasha Mudie Principal





Students in Years 2 & 3 have enjoyed some Easter cooking



PRIDE Awards

Prep

Sophie EDWARDS

for showing DETERMINATION in all areas of learning, always wanting to do her best

1

Ryan WILLERSDORF

for showing PERSISTENCE while learning his tricky words

2-3

Lucas AURICHT

for showing EXCELLENCE in his writing by using paragraphs

Hailee SUTCLIFFE

for showing EXCELLENCE in classroom discussions by asking thoughtful questions and contributing fantastic answers

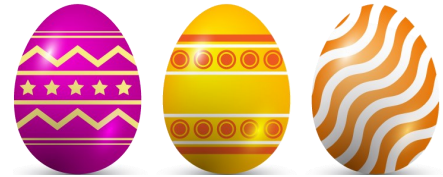
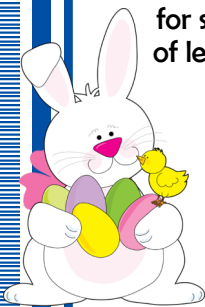
4-6

Cornelius DuPREEZ

for showing EXCELLENCE in completing maths modules

Isaac DANIEL

for showing EXCELLENCE in his research project in the history unit



CANTEEN

Ham Sandwich \$2.50

Ham & Cheese Sandwich \$3.00

Cheese Sandwich \$2.00

Cheese & Tomato Sandwich \$3.00

Ham, Cheese & Tomato Sandwich \$4.00

Tomato Sandwich \$2.00

Vegemite Sandwich \$1.50

Pies/Pasties \$4.50 : Party Pies \$1.20

Sausage Rolls \$3.50

Sauce 20c

Pizzas (Ham & Pineapple or Bacon & Cheese) \$2.50

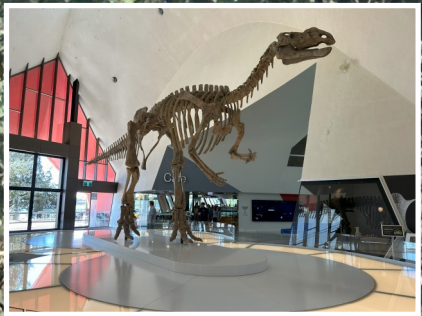
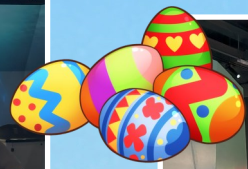
Ham & Cheese Toasties \$2.50

ALL ORDERS TO Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL

Late orders will only have access to ham & cheese toasties

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope











HARMONY DAY



On Tuesday Murrayville Community College celebrated Harmony Day lunch with the whole school. Miss Lozz collaborated with other teachers and students to provide an array of varying different cultural food choices for the young people and an activity to follow.

Harmony Day is a time when all Australia can share their traditions at school and this the theme was 'Everyone Belongs'. We aim to encourage inclusiveness, respect and belonging amongst all Australians, regardless of cultural backgrounds. When we think of a state of harmony, we think of components coming together to produce complete wholeness. When we think of diversity at Murrayville Community College, we need to understand we have people from various backgrounds, countries, ideals and traditions.

The proceedings started off with each class coming to get either lasagna, hot dogs, hamburgers, Vietnamese cold Rolls, ice cream in a cone, pavlovas, Dutch pancakes, and lamingtons. Following this everyone sat down and ate their meals whilst Miss Lozz did an Acknowledgement of Country and explained the reason for the day and why we all came together. An activity followed for the students - it was to write the country which their grandparents were from and what customs or ideals they engaged in as part of their culture.

A big thank you to Ms Jones and her food tech class who have worked above and beyond with cooking and preparing the meals for the big day, Mrs Finn for planning, preparing on the day and helping serve, Parker E for making cold rolls, Mrs M for making the Dutch pancakes, Savannah Morrison and Phoenix Morzer-Bruyns for serving the cold rolls, Cooper Allford and Zhoe Willison for serving the hot dogs, and Mrs McKee for serving the icecream.

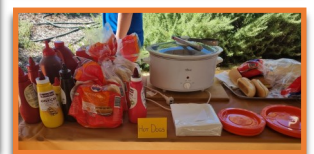
Thank you to Grace Boseley, Johanna Oster and Jael Mulley, Tyson

Nuske and Ryder Linder for helping set up the decoration, tables and cleaning the area on the day.

A huge thank you to Michelle Hand for helping set up/pack down, cooking the hamburgers and serving them on the day.

Thank you to Mr Finn for bringing in his world flags to share with everyone.

It was wonderful to observe the sense of harmony amongst Murrayville Community College.



MURRAYVILLE COMMUNITY
COLLEGE PRESENTS

WINTER WONDERLAND

Debutante Ball

10TH MAY 2024

at MURRAYVILLE COMMUNITY HALL

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ON THE NIGHT
OR AT THE COLLEGE OFFICE

DOORS OPEN - 7PM

DOORS CLOSE - 7:30PM

PRESENTATION STARTS -

7:45 PM

PRICES

ADULT: \$25
PENSIONER/SECONDARY
STUDENTS: \$15
PRIMARY STUDENTS: \$10
FAMILY PASS \$60
(2 ADULTS + 2 CHILDREN)

**BAR
AVAILABLE
NO BYO**

LIGHT SUPPER PROVIDED
PLEASE CALL THE COLLEGE WITH ANY
QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ON (03) 5095 2001

COLLEGE CALENDAR

29/3	Good Friday
7/4	Daylight Saving Ends
15/4	Student Free Day Term 2 commences
17/4	School Photos
22/4	Music lessons
23/4	Secondary interviews - Murrayville
24/4	Secondary interviews - Pinnaroo
24-26/4	Year 12 Outdoor Ed camp
6/5	Music lessons
8/5	Year 4-6 Grip Leadership
9/5	Mallee Division Cross Country
10/5	Deb Ball
13/5	College Council
20/5	Music lessons
21/5	Legal Studies Court visit - Mildura
28/5	Regional Cross Country
3/6	Music lessons
10/6	King's Birthday

Never lose a
chance of saying
a kind word

We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the first peoples and traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work. We pay our respects to the Elders, both past, present and future, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of Indigenous Australians.



Literacy Tips

Helping your child to speak and listen

Discussing news and current events

As your child gets older, they become more aware of news and current events. Discussing news and current events can enrich your child's understanding of the world.

Questions are an effective way to encourage your child to think critically about an event and can help foster empathy. Questions also help your child to develop oral fluency when discussing social issues.

Questions you might ask event include:

- What do you think caused the event?
- How do you think people will be affected?
- Is it fair?
- Why do you think people think that/do that?
- Could there be another side to this news report?
- What do you think will happen next?
- How could the problem be fixed?



Some other activities to develop your discussion:

- Encourage children to find the good in bad or unhappy news stories by looking out for the people or organisations who are offering aid, e.g. "Who are the helpers in this event?"
- Read several articles together on the same issue to get different opinions. Then discuss the different opinions.
- Have a debate on a topic, with you and your child taking different sides of the issue.
- Download and listen to podcasts on an issue and discuss.
- Discuss different "What if?" scenarios. This will help develop your child's problem solving and imagination.

Many news items can be distressing or confusing for children. Ensure you select items that are appropriate for your child. There are some excellent podcasts and online programs that provide the news in an age-appropriate manner:

Kidsnews: <https://www.kidsnews.com.au>

Behind the News: <https://www.abc.net.au/btn>

Squiz Kids podcast: <https://www.squizkids.com.au>

ABC kids news podcast: <https://www.abc.net.au/kidlisten/news-time>

